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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) by Express Mail is the complete patent application of Adi A. Scheidemann of Seattle, Washington; Kem Robinson of Bellevue, Washington; Patrick L. Jones of Seattle, Washington; and Stephen C. Gottaschalk of Woodinville, Washington, entitled MAGNETIC SEPARATOR FOR LINEAR DISPERSION AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME.

- X 1. This application is a continuation of prior Application No. 09/469,662, filed December 22, 1999, which is a divisional of U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/325,936, filed June 4, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,182,831, which is a continuation of international application Serial No. PCT/US98/21000, filed October 6, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. provisional patent application Serial No. 60/061,394, filed October 7, 1997, priority from the filing dates of which is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § § 120 and 119, respectively.
- X 2. A copy of the request for a 3-month extension of time (including Check No. 135434 in the amount of \$460.00) to extend pendency of the prior application to at least the filing date of this application is enclosed.
- X 3. An application consisting of 31 pages of specification, including the claims and the Abstract of the Disclosure, and 15 sheets of drawings is attached.
- X 4. A copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in the above-noted prior application is attached. This application is a continuation, no new matter has been added to this application, and no new inventors have been named. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of this application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

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- X 5. The prior application was assigned to The University of Washington by an Assignment recorded at Reel 010016/Frame 0949 and to STI Optronics Inc. by an Assignment recorded at Reel 010016/Frames 0955 and 0972.
- X 6. Small entity status is asserted for this matter.
- X 7. No fee is enclosed.
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